



**GETTYSBURG NATIONAL MILITARY PARK  
EISENHOWER NATIONAL HISTORIC SITE**

**2013 CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

***Commemorating the 150th anniversary of the Battle of Gettysburg and President Lincoln's Gettysburg Address.***

**JANUARY 2013**

January 5, 6, 12, 13, 19, 20, 26     **Gettysburg National Military Park Winter Lecture Series** - Join a Park Ranger for a free indoor lecture on various topics related to "The Civil War in 1863." In the Gettysburg National Military Park Museum and Visitor Center. For more information call 717-334-1124 ext. 8023 or go to: <http://www.nps.gov/gett/planyourvisit/upload/Winter-Lectures-2013.pdf> .

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**MARCH 2013**

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March 12     **Clinton High School Band. FREE** Performance at the plaza at the Gettysburg National Military Park Museum and Visitor Center. Rain location is inside the museum.

March 14-16     **Gettysburg Sesquicentennial Seminar, "The Future of Civil War History: Looking Beyond the 150th."** Sponsored by Gettysburg National Military Park and the Civil War Institute at Gettysburg College. Contributing partners include the Gettysburg Foundation and the Society for Civil War Historians. Registration is required. Fee. To register or learn more go to: [www.gettysburg.edu/cwi](http://www.gettysburg.edu/cwi)

**APRIL 2013**

April 27     **National Junior Ranger Day at Eisenhower National Historic Site** - Children ages 7-12 are invited to complete the Junior Secret Service Agent Training Manual and earn their badge and certificate. Ranger programs on Eisenhower and the Secret Service will be presented. Children will also earn a special patch commemorating National Junior Ranger Day 2012. Included in site admission. (717) 338-9114.

**MAY 2013**

May 3     **Hamilton-Gibson Choir.** Free performance at the plaza at the Gettysburg National Military Park Museum and Visitor Center. Rain location is inside the museum.

May 10     **Southside High School Band.** Free performance at the plaza at the Gettysburg National Military Park Museum and Visitor Center. Rain location is inside the museum.

May 11     **Mamie Remembers Gettysburg** at Eisenhower National Historic Site. Join living historian Ruthmary McIlhenny as she performs her first person program as Mamie Eisenhower. Also watch a 1950s fashion

show presented by the Victory Society. Included in site admission. As part of this event, the Gettysburg Foundation will host a special High Tea for an added fee. For tickets call 877-874-2478 or visit [www.gettysburgfoundation.org](http://www.gettysburgfoundation.org).

## JUNE 2013

- June 8 **Daily Gettysburg Ranger Walks and Programs Begin.** Includes a full range of free Park Ranger conducted programs, walks, tours, campfire programs, living history programs, children's programs and "battle walks" **offered daily through August 18.** For more information call 717-334-1124 ext. 8023 or visit [www.nps.gov/gett](http://www.nps.gov/gett)
- June 8 **Daily Exploring Eisenhower Programs Begin.** Join a Park Ranger for 30 minute walks and talks offered daily at the Eisenhower National Historic Site. Topics include Eisenhower's military career, the Secret Service's role in protecting the president, Eisenhower's presidency, and the Eisenhower's' life in Gettysburg. **Programs offered daily through August 18.** For more information call 717-338-9114 or visit [www.nps.gov/eise](http://www.nps.gov/eise)
- June 8-9 **D-Day Anniversary Weekend at Eisenhower National Historic Site** - Join a Park Ranger for a talk on Eisenhower and the Men of D-Day. World War II living historians portray a variety of soldiers and talk informally with visitors at the Eisenhower National Historic Site. Included in site admission. For more information call 717-338-9114 or visit [www.nps.gov/eise](http://www.nps.gov/eise)
- June 13 **Hike with Ike.** This free guided walking tour in downtown Gettysburg explores Eisenhower's life in the community is every Thursday through August 15 at 7:15 p.m. Meet the National Park Ranger at the Gettysburg College gates, at the corner of North Washington and Water Streets. For more information call 717-338-9114 or visit [www.nps.gov/eise](http://www.nps.gov/eise)
- June 15 **Gettysburg National Military Park's Brass Band Concert.** The Wildcat Regimental Band will perform free at the Gettysburg National Military Park Museum and Visitor Center as well as present an evening concert at the Pennsylvania Memorial. Call for a program schedule 717-334-1124 x8023 or go to: [www.nps.gov/gett](http://www.nps.gov/gett)
- June 16 **Exhibit Opening: "Treasures of the Civil War"** - This special exhibit will feature rare Civil War artifacts that provide links to leaders of the Civil War era, including Abraham Lincoln, Jefferson Davis, Robert E. Lee, George G. Meade, Frederick Douglass and Clara Barton. This glimpse into the lives of these extraordinary people will help visitors gain a better understanding of the magnitude of the Civil War and its lasting impact on our nation. Sponsored by Gettysburg National Military Park, Gettysburg Foundation and other partners. Included in museum admission ticket. Continues through 2015.
- June 21 – 25 **Civil War Institute.** Sponsored by the Civil War Institute at Gettysburg College and Gettysburg National Military Park. For more information contact 717-337-6590 or [www.gettysburg.edu/cwi](http://www.gettysburg.edu/cwi)
- June 29 – 30 **Sacred Trust Talks and Book Signing Events.** Sacred Trust brings together renowned authors, historians, National Park Service rangers and others to share perspectives on the battle of Gettysburg with members of the public. Free. Sponsored by the Gettysburg Foundation and Gettysburg National Military Park For more information call 717-339-2109 or contact [csmall@gettysburgfoundation.org](mailto:csmall@gettysburgfoundation.org)
- June 30 **150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Events "Gettysburg: A New Birth of Freedom" Commemorative Ceremony.** This evening event will take place on an outdoor stage near Meade's Headquarters on the Gettysburg battlefield and will include music, a keynote address, and "Voices of History," a dramatic reading of eyewitness accounts written by soldiers and citizens swept into the events of the battle and its tragic aftermath. The ceremony will end with a procession where participants and the public are invited to walk through the Soldiers' National Cemetery at Gettysburg to see luminaries marking each of the more than 3,500 graves of soldiers killed in the Battle of Gettysburg. The ceremony is sponsored by Gettysburg National Military Park, the Gettysburg Foundation and other partners. Free.

## JULY 2013

July 1 – 4

**National Park Service Programs for 150th Anniversary of the Battle of Gettysburg** - Special Ranger Programs by Gettysburg National Military Park. During the days of the battle anniversary, July 1-4 (with July 4 focusing on the battle's aftermath), the National Park Service (NPS) will offer the following interpretive program opportunities. Free. For more information call 717-334-1124 ext. 8023 or visit [www.nps.gov/gett](http://www.nps.gov/gett)

- *Living History Camps* – Two full battalions of Union and Confederate infantrymen accompanied by artillery and other supporting units will present demonstrations and programs near the Pennsylvania Memorial and at Pitzer's Woods throughout the day to illustrate the life of the Union and Confederate soldier and demonstrate the tactics used by both armies in the Battle of Gettysburg. PLEASE NOTE living history events are July 1-3 only.
- *Key Moment Programs* - Each day of the battle, and on July 4, NPS rangers will present ranger guided programs at locations where key events occurred during that particular day of the battle, or during the battle's aftermath.
- *Overview Hikes* - Each day of the battle, and on July 4, NPS rangers will present 60 minute overview hikes covering different phases of the battle and its aftermath. These will involve more walking than Key Moment programs.
- *Battlefield Experience Programs* - NPS rangers will provide special programs that allow visitors to experience critical moments of the battle at the approximate time they occurred 150 years ago. This will include a July 3 commemorative march across the field of Pickett's Charge, with visitors organized by NPS rangers to represent the Confederate brigades that participated in the attack and the Union soldiers that defended against it.
- *Voices of the Battle* - Each evening at 7:30 p.m. visitors can gather for a program where we hear the voices of soldiers and civilians describing their experiences during the battle and aftermath.
- *Special Junior Ranger Patch* – Throughout the year, kids can earn a special 150th anniversary Junior Ranger patch by completing an activity book associated with the battle anniversary activities.
- *"Kids and Family" Activities* - For kids we will have a "Kids and Family" programs tent with activities throughout the day outside the Visitor Center, and a special interactive Signal Corps station July 1 through 3 near Meade's Headquarters.
- *Ranger Programs at the Museum and Visitor Center* - NPS rangers will present Battle Overviews, Civil War Soldier, Care of the Wounded programs on a regular schedule in the Museum and Visitor Center or at the Interpretive Program stations outside the building. In addition to special anniversary programs, the park will offer some programs at sites including the Cemetery, Little Round Top and the Angle.

July 5 – 7

**Sacred Trust Talks and Book Signing Events.** Sacred Trust brings together renowned authors, historians, National Park Service rangers and others to share perspectives on the battle of Gettysburg with members of the public. Free. Sponsored by the Gettysburg Foundation and Gettysburg National Military Park. For more information call 717-339-2109 or contact [csmall@gettysburgfoundation.org](mailto:csmall@gettysburgfoundation.org)

July 14-18

**The Eisenhower Academy.** A one-week institute for school teachers covering Eisenhower's foreign and domestic policy, 1950s popular culture and Eisenhower's leadership. Graduate credit or Pennsylvania Professional Education Credit available. Registration fee. For more information call 717-338-9114 ext. 4411 or visit [www.nps.gov/eise](http://www.nps.gov/eise)

## AUGUST 2013

August 18

**Gettysburg National Military Park Ranger Programs** continue through late summer and fall on a limited basis. Weekly schedules for these free, guided walks are available at the information desk in the Gettysburg National Military Park Museum and Visitor Center on the day of your visit or call 717-334-1124 x8023.

August 16-17 **18th Annual Civil War Music Muster.** Civil War brass bands, fife and drum and parlor music are presented in concert. Performers include the Susquehanna Travellers, the Victorian Dance Ensemble, The Libby Prison Minstrels, The Irish Volunteers Civil War Band, additional performers to be announced. All performances take place at the Gettysburg National Military Park Museum and Visitor Center and the Dobbins House Courtyard, followed by a concert at the Pennsylvania Memorial in the early evening. Free. For more information call or 717-334-1124 x3251.

## SEPTEMBER 2013

Sept. 21-22 **World War II Weekend.** A living history encampment at the Eisenhower National Historic Site with Allied soldiers, a German camp, World War II jeeps and trucks, and USO Dance (off-site). Programs are scheduled Saturday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Sunday from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. and included in site admission. Shuttle service and *weather permitting* on-site parking is available this weekend only. For more information call 717-338-9114 or visit [www.nps.gov/eise](http://www.nps.gov/eise)

## OCTOBER 2013

October 25-27 **Gettysburg National Military Park Seminar.** Leading historians will explore the war from Gettysburg to Appomattox in a two and a half day seminar at the Gettysburg campus of Harrisburg Area Community College. The seminar will also include field programs on the Gettysburg battlefield, conducted by park rangers and licensed battlefield guides, and an evening reception at the Gettysburg National Military Park Museum and Visitor Center. The seminar is sponsored by Gettysburg National Military Park and the Civil War Institute of Gettysburg College with generous assistance from Harrisburg Area Community College-Gettysburg Campus and the Gettysburg Foundation. Registration Fee. For more information go to: <http://www.nps.gov/gett> or call 717-334-1124 ext. 3251.

## NOVEMBER 2013

Nov. 19 **150th Anniversary of the Gettysburg Address** an annual observation with memorial services held annually in the Soldiers' National Cemetery. The program includes the Wreath Laying Ceremony at the Soldier's National Monument and a formal ceremony with a keynote speaker. Sponsored by the Lincoln Fellowship of Pennsylvania, Gettysburg National Military Park, and Gettysburg College. For information go to: <http://lincolnfellowship.org>

Nov. 19 **Graveside Salute to the United States Colored Troops** in the Soldiers' National Cemetery immediately after the Dedication Day ceremony. Sponsored by "For the Cause" Productions, [www.gettysburghistories.com](http://www.gettysburghistories.com)

Nov. 23 **Remembrance Day Parade and Ceremonies** An annual event held in conjunction with the Gettysburg Address anniversary. A parade of Civil War living history groups begins at 1:00 p.m. Sponsored by the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War. For information call 717-259-6156 or go to [www.suvvw.org](http://www.suvvw.org)

Nov. 23 **11<sup>th</sup> Annual Remembrance Illumination, Soldiers' National Cemetery.** Sponsored by the Gettysburg Foundation. From 5:30 p.m. – 9:30 p.m. luminary candles will be placed on each Civil War grave as a testament to the sacrifices made here in 1863. Free. For information call 717-338-1243 or visit [www.gettysburgfoundation.org](http://www.gettysburgfoundation.org)

## DECEMBER 2013

Dec 6 **Holiday Wreaths at the Soldiers' National Cemetery** - Five hundred holiday wreaths will be placed on graves in the Soldiers' National Cemetery at Gettysburg National Military Park as part of the Sgt. Mac Foundation's ongoing effort to honor veterans. For more information call 717-337-1728 or go to [www.sgtmac.org](http://www.sgtmac.org)

Dec. 1-31      **An Eisenhower Christmas** - The Eisenhower home at the Eisenhower National Historic Site is decorated in the traditions of the Eisenhowers. Some original decorations and Christmas cards will be on display; included in site admission. For more information call 717-338-9114 or visit [www.nps.gov/eise](http://www.nps.gov/eise).

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FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT:

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Eisenhower National Historic Site events contact 717-338-9114 or visit [www.nps.gov/eise](http://www.nps.gov/eise)  
Gettysburg Foundation events contact 717-339-2161 or visit [www.gettysburgfoundation.org](http://www.gettysburgfoundation.org)

**150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Information** - For information about battle reenactments, lodging and other special events in the Gettysburg area go to: [www.gettysburgcivilwar150.com](http://www.gettysburgcivilwar150.com)

**Gettysburg National Military Park on Social Media:**

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